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BLACKROCK STRATEGIC FUNDS (BSF)

BSF European Absolute Return Fund

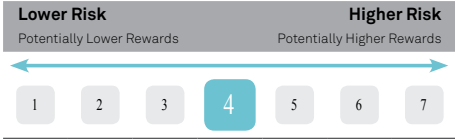
Performance to 30 April 2015

You should read the Prospectus and the Key Investor Information Document (KIID) for each fund in which you want to invest.

Summary of Investment Objective

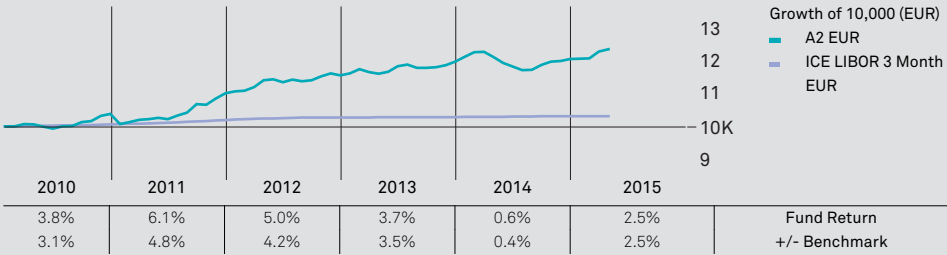
The BlackRock European Absolute Return Fund seeks to achieve a positive absolute return for investors regardless of market movements. The Fund will seek to achieve this investment objective by taking long, synthetic long and synthetic short investment exposures. The Fund will seek to gain at least 70% of its investment exposure through equities and equity- related securities (including derivatives) of, or giving exposure to, companies domiciled in, or exercising the predominant part of their economic activity in Europe. The Fund will seek to achieve this investment objective by investing at least 70% of its total assets in equities and equity-related securities and, when determined appropriate, cash and near-cash instruments. In order to achieve the investment objective and policy the Fund will invest in a variety of investment strategies and instruments. It intends to take full advantage of the ability to invest in derivatives providing synthetic long and/or synthetic short positions with the aim of maximising positive returns.

Synthetic Risk & Reward Indicator (SRRI)



Fund Performance

Growth and Complete Calendar Year Performance to 30 April 2015



Source: Morningstar. Performance and performance relative to the ICE LIBOR 3 Month EUR is shown as at 30-04-2015 in the currency shown above and is based on a Net Asset Value (NAV) price basis. Fund performance is shown with income reinvested, net of fees.

Cumulative & Annualised Performance to 30 April 2015



Source: Morningstar. Performance and performance of the ICE LIBOR 3 Month EUR is shown in the currency noted above and is based on a Net Asset Value (NAV) price basis. Fund performance is shown with income reinvested, net of fees. *Performance figures are shown on an annualised basis. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Please refer to the Fund Specific warnings in this document.

Portfolio Profile to 30 April 2015

Top 10 Holdings (%)		Sector Exposure (%)		Country Exposure (%)	
Fund		Fund		Fund	
Anima Holding Spa	1,9	Financials	10,0	United Kingdom	11,9
Prudential Plc	1,8	Information Technology	5,6	Italy	7,5
Asml Holding Nv	1,6	Consumer Discretionary	5,3	Denmark	2,8
Astrazeneca Plc	1,6	Health Care	4,7	Ireland	2,5
Heineken Nv	1,5	Telecommunications	3,5	Switzerland	2,3
Novo Nordisk A/S	1,5	Utilities	0,7	France	1,4
Vodafone Group Plc	1,4	Cash	0,0	Netherlands	1,3
Azimut Holding Spa	1,4	Industrials	-0,7	Finland	0,5
Enel S.P.A.	1,4	Energy	-1,3	Sweden	-0,5
Crh Plc	1,4	Materials	-2,6	Norway	-1,1
Total 10 Holdings (%)	15,5	Consumer Staples	-2,8		
Total 20 Holdings (%)	28,1				
Total Number of Holdings	83				
Exposure (%)					
Fund					
Gross Exposure	87,8				
Net Exposure	11,7				
No. of Naked Longs (net)	49,8				
No. of Naked Shorts (net)	-28,5				
Sector Index	-9,5				

Share Class Performance 30 April 2015

Share Class	Fund Inception Date	NAV	1 Month	30-04-14 to 30-04-15	30-04-13 to 30-04-14	30-04-12 to 30-04-13	30-04-11 to 30-04-12	30-04-10 to 30-04-11	Total Expense Ratio	% Yield	ISIN	Bloomberg	SEDOL
A2 Acc EUR	02/09	128,33	0,6%	2,0%	4,4%	1,8%	11,6%	1,6%	3,46%		LU0411704413	BLEURAA	B4Y52B3
A4 Inc EUR	02/09	128,17	0,6%	1,9%	4,4%	1,7%	11,6%	1,5%	3,46%	-	LU0414668557	BLEUAD4	B595DS9
D2 Acc EUR	02/09	131,21	0,7%	2,3%	4,8%	2,2%	12,0%	1,9%	2,86%		LU0414666189	BLEURD2	B595DQ7
D2 Acc CHF	03/12	130,63	0,5%	2,4%	4,4%	2,0%	-	-	2,86%		LU0748867792	BLEUD2C	B73TC17
E2 Acc EUR	02/09	125,41	0,6%	1,6%	3,9%	1,3%	11,2%	1,1%	3,93%		LU0414665884	BLEUAE2	B595DP6
I2 Acc EUR	04/12	132,02	0,7%	2,5%	5,0%	2,4%	-	-	2,92%		LU0776931064	BLEAI2E	B808980

Source: Morningstar. Performance as at 30-04-2015 unless otherwise stated. Performance is based on a Net Asset Value (NAV) price basis with income reinvested, net of fees. Total Expense Ratio is the latest annualised expense figure for the Share Class. % Yield shows the last 12 months yield. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. You should read the Prospectus and the Key Investor Information Document (KIID) for each fund in which you want to invest.

Fund Legal Information

Fund Company	BlackRock Strategic Funds SICAV
Fund Type	UCITS
Domicile	LUX
Fund Inception Date	27-02-2009
Base Currency	Euro
Fund AUM	€993m
EUSD Fund Status	In scope, distributions and redemptions

Fund Information

Fund Manager	Vincent Devlin
Fund Manager Start Date	27-02-2009
Fund Manager	Stefan Gries
Fund Manager Start Date	01-07-2013
Sector	Alt - Long/Short Equity - Europe
Benchmark	ICE LIBOR 3 Month EUR

Published NAV

Trading Frequency: Daily, forward pricing basis; Settlement: Trade date + 3 days; NAV available at www.blackrock.com/ international; Börsen-Zeitung; Het Financieele Dagblad; Milano Finanza; The Standard; Der Standard; Hong Kong Economic Times; www.fundinfo.com; VSD

Ratings to 30 April 2015*



Fund Information Share Class (A2 EUR)

Minimum Initial Purchase	\$5,000
Minimum Additional Purchase	\$1,000
Initial Fee	5.00%
Annual Management Fee	1.50%
Performance Fee	20.00%

Country Of Registrations and Fund Charges

For details on fund charges and country of registrations please see the KIID. For the Manager's investment commentary, portfolio activity and market outlook, please see the Fund's Profile at www.BlackRock.com

Fund Specific Risks

The fund invests a large portion of assets which are denominated in other currencies; hence changes in the relevant exchange rate will affect the value of the investment. The Fund may be exposed to finance sector companies, as a service provider or as counterparty for financial contracts. Liquidity in the financial markets has been severely restricted, causing a number of firms to withdrawn from the market, or in some extreme cases, becoming insolvent. This may have an adverse affect on the activities of the fund. Derivatives may be used substantially for complex investment strategies. These include the creation of short positions where the Investment Manager artificially sells an investment it does not physically own. Derivatives can also be used to generate exposure to investments greater than the net asset value of the fund / investment trust. Investment Managers refer to this practice as obtaining market leverage or gearing. As a result, a small positive or negative movement in stockmarkets will have a larger impact on the value of these derivatives than owning the physical investments. The use of derivatives in this manner may have the effect of increasing the overall risk profile of the Funds.

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Glossary

PERFORMANCE - The return an investment provides over a period of time, expressed as a percentage. Sources of returns can include interest, dividends and the change in capital value. The rate of return is measured against the initial amount of the investment calculated using published dealing prices. Fund performance is usually expressed in terms of cumulative returns or annualised returns.

- ▶ **Annualised performance** - Annualised performance shows the average change in the value of a fund each year over a certain time frame. For example three year annualised performance looks at the total fund performance over three years expressed as a time-weighted annual percentage.
- ▶ **Benchmark** - A benchmark provides a standard against which investors can compare fund performance. It is usually a market index made up of the type of assets in which the fund invests. For example, the FTSE 100 Index is made up of the shares of the 100 largest companies listed on the London Stock Exchange and is often used as a benchmark for funds which invest in UK equities.
- ▶ **+/- Benchmark / +/- Sector Average** - The performance of the fund relative to the performance of the Benchmark or Sector Average. This is also known as 'relative return'.
- ▶ **Bid price** - The price at which units/shares in a fund can be redeemed (sold).
- ▶ **Cumulative performance** - The return an investment provides over a period of time, expressed as a percentage. Sources of returns can include interest, dividends and capital appreciation. The rate of return is measured against the initial amount of the investment calculated using published dealing prices.
- ▶ **Five year discrete annual performance** - The return of an investment over the last five 12-month periods to the most recent quarter end.
- ▶ **Net Income** - The income available to unit or share holders as dividend payments or interest after accounting for UK tax. This can either be reinvested to contribute to total return or distributed to investors.
- ▶ **Percentile rank** - Funds are ranked in their sector according to their performance. This list is then divided into 100 equal parts, assigning funds a percentile ranking. Funds ranked in the first percentile are the top performing funds and those in the hundredth percentile are the lowest performers.
- ▶ **Total Return** - Total return is expressed as the percentage change of an investment over a certain timeframe. It includes the net income earned by the investment in terms of dividends or interest along with any change in the capital value of the investment.

PORTFOLIO PROFILE - This shows the breakdown of the assets held in the fund at a given point in time.

- ▶ **Active (weight)** - The difference in the make-up of a fund compared to its benchmark index. This is a common form of active fund management using stock selection to buy more of the shares a manager believes will do well (going overweight) and fewer of those which he believes will fare worse (going underweight). Weightings are considered relative to the benchmark; if a company's shares accounts for 3% of the benchmark, but 4% of the fund, the fund is said to be overweight in that stock. Weightings are also considered for sectors in the benchmark.
- ▶ **Asset allocation** - A description of how a fund manager chooses to invest the assets of the fund by asset class.
- ▶ **Credit Rating** - An assessment by an independent rating agency of the credit-worthiness of an institution (typically a government or company), which issues a bond. It gives investors an idea of how likely a bond is to default and therefore not repay income or capital when due.
- ▶ **Currency exposure** - The currency of investments held within the fund.
- ▶ **Duration** - Duration measures the sensitivity of the price of a bond to a change in interest rates. Duration is expressed as a number of years. The larger the number, the greater the interest rate risk or reward for the price of the bond.
- ▶ **Market Cap (market capitalisation)** - The total value of the shares issued by a company which trades on the stock exchange.
- ▶ **Maturity** - The end of a time period when the asset must be redeemed, typically used to give a set lifespan for bonds. A 10-year government bond must be repaid by the issuer (the government concerned) when it reaches maturity after the ten years elapse. Corporate bonds tend to have lower maturities of up to five years. Derivatives also have maturity periods when the option, future or swap expires.
- ▶ **Top ten holdings** - The ten securities in which the fund has the most money invested.
- ▶ **Yield** - The income on an investment expressed as a percentage of the original price. For example a company share that cost £10 and pays a dividend of 45p has a yield of 4.5%.

FUND INFORMATION

- ▶ **Accumulation and income units/shares ('acc' and 'inc')** - Most funds offer different types of units/shares and allow investors to choose between accumulation or income units/shares. If you buy accumulation units/shares, the net income available to you through dividends is automatically reinvested into the fund at no extra cost. Whereas if you choose income units/shares, the net income available will be paid out to you periodically. This will provide income to use for living expenses and so on, but will mean that the total return over time will be lower than that of the accumulation units/shares.
- ▶ **Awards and Fund Ratings** - Companies such as Citywire and Morningstar assess fund performance and provide ratings and awards to reflect how well a fund or manager is doing. Awards and ratings are highly prized by managers, however they should not necessarily be viewed as an indication of future performance.
- ▶ **Authorised Unit Trust** - A unit trust is a collective investment scheme that allows investors to pool their money into a portfolio, which is then managed by a fund manager. An authorised unit trust is one which is authorised to operate in the UK by the Financial Conduct Authority.
- ▶ **Base Currency** - The currency in which the fund is denominated.
- ▶ **Bloomberg (ticker)** - A unique code given to financial assets on Bloomberg. Bloomberg provides financial news and data to investors all over the world.
- ▶ **ISA Fund Status** - Whether or not the fund is eligible for investment in a UK Individual Savings Account (ISA).
- ▶ **ISIN** - International Securities Identification Number. A unique international code which identifies a securities issue. Each country has a national numbering agency which assigns ISIN numbers for securities in that country.
- ▶ **Summary of Investment Objective** - All funds have an investment objective written into their prospectus which details what the fund aims to achieve and which assets it will invest in to reach that aim. The summary condenses this crucial information for investors.
- ▶ **Synthetic Risk and Reward Indicator (SRRI)** - Featured on the Key Investor Information Document, the SRRI is a measure of the overall risk and reward profile of a fund. Funds are categorised on a scale from 1 to 7 where 1 is the lowest risk and 7 is the highest. Typically, the SRRI is derived from the volatility of past returns over a 5-year period. Investors should be aware the indicator is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Fund. The lowest category does not mean risk free.
- ▶ **Sector** - A peer group of funds which have a similar investment objective or invest in the same type of assets. These are organised by independent companies such as the Investment Management Association in the UK. The average performance of a sector is often used to compare with the performance of an individual fund in the sector.
- ▶ **Sedol** - The Stock Exchange Daily Official List number, a code used by the London Stock Exchange to identify foreign stocks, especially those that aren't actively traded in the U.S. and don't have a CUSIP number.
- ▶ **TER (Total expense ratio)** - A measure of the total costs associated with managing and operating an investment fund. These costs consist primarily of management fees and other expenses such as trustee, custody, transaction and registration fees and other operating expenses. The total cost for the fund is divided by the fund's total assets and expressed as a percentage which represents the TER.

What to understand

Summary of Investment Objective

A statement by a Fund setting out what it intends to achieve, helping the adviser and their clients to ensure that the product accurately meets their needs. For example, an absolute return Fund may issue a Summary of Investment Objective stating that it aims to rise in value regardless of market conditions, using techniques such as shorting to make capital gains when markets fall.

Portfolio Profile

This shows the breakdown of the assets of the Fund at a given point in time.

Synthetic Risk and Reward Indicator (SRRI) and SRRI Calculation

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Performance

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Share Class Performance

BlackRock offer a selection of accumulating and distributing share classes, and some offer unit classes in a variety of currencies. Some share classes have higher initial fees, administration fees or performance fees which can impact the total return. Cumulative performance of these different classes of shares will therefore vary. Please refer to the KIID document for full details.

Fund Specific Risks

A Fund Specific Risk warning is a section of our disclaimer which states the specific risks applicable to the Fund which the fact sheet refers to. Each Fund is different: some may invest in what are perceived as higher risk assets such as commodities or property, while others invest in lower risk assets like government debt. We therefore need to state the warnings applicable to each Fund in our fact sheets.

Fund Legal Information

Covers a number of key facts about each Fund. It includes the name of the Fund company, Fund type, domicile, inception date, base currency, Fund's assets under management, ISA Fund status, the size of minimum initial purchase and minimum additional purchase, as well as other important facts.

Ratings

Companies that monitor Fund performance such as Morningstar or Citywire give awards and ratings that reflect how well the Fund or its manager are doing.

Disclaimer Important Information

Contains information about, but not limited to, company registration information of the Fund management company, the name of its regulator(s), copyright statements, and warnings about fluctuations in investment performance of financial assets.

A screenshot of a BlackRock fund fact sheet, focusing on the legal and rating information. The top part contains a table with various legal details, including the fund's name, type, domicile, and inception date. Below this, there are sections for ratings from Morningstar and Citywire, and a disclaimer section. The layout is structured and easy to read, with clear headings for each section.